

Appl. No. 09/206,277

REMARKS


The Patent Office objected to the specification because of informalities. More specifically, the Patent Offices required that the status of the co-pending patent application, cited on page 10, lines 15-20, be updated. Applicant has amended the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 10 of the original specification such that the status of the co-pending patent application is updated.

The Patent Office rejected claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Allen, Jr. et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,169,735). Applicant has cancelled claims 1-20, without prejudice, and added new claims 21-58. Allen, Jr. fails to expressly or inherently disclose each and every element of new claims 21-58. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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- 1) Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal
- 2) Amendment/Reply (Response to the office action mailed May 7, 2003)
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